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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Support Services Staff
SUBJECT : Survey of Remote Devices and Computers

1. Attached is a copy of the revised questionnaire and covering memo sent to [redacted] recommended treating the number of terminals in terms of high-low estimates. The low number represents a maximum amount of consolidation of terminal requirements. The high number represents no consolidation. We expect to require approximately 45 terminals for SIPS.

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2. The Headquarters DMC, while basically serving the Human Resources Offices, will also support Logistics and Finance functions. The transaction volume in HRS indicates a larger input/output/query volume and, consequently, a larger DMC. If the worst case prevails, this would appear to be about 30 terminals. We expect between 20 and 25 terminals in the Headquarters DMC serving 3 systems.

3. A terminal is one piece of equipment tied to a computer. Unfortunately it can also be an equipment configuration. This latter prospect brings about the Medium Speed entry. One of [redacted] concerns is the number of high speed lines required in his network. We are trying, successfully I hope, to tell Don that we foresee no high speed line requirements in Headquarters Building. The medium speed device we are talking about is an IBM 1050-like device. I felt from listening to Don that some confusion resulted from identifying specific pieces of hardware (2741, 2260, 1050, etc.) so I backed away to these more general identifiers. I used a specific identifier when the requesting office used one, [redacted] for example. I am sure a DATEL 30 or some equivalent device will be equally satisfactory, but that is not my problem at this moment.

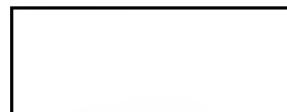
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4. I specifically asked [redacted] to check this through whatever parts of O/C might be involved. I understand that the [redacted] people, as well as his own unit, were asked the question. I do not know to whom [redacted] talked. As I indicated in the covering memorandum, I do not put great faith in these answers. I believe these requirements will emerge in the not too distant future. [redacted] agrees.

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